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# SQUIBS FROM THE WATER FRONT

## ALEWIVES RUNNING AT ESSEX—40 BARRELS TAKEN FOR BAIT

The alewives began running in earnest yesterday afternoon, at Essex Falls, and this morning Lawrence H. Woodman, who has the concession again this season, gathered 40 barrels, and had no trouble selling them to local trawlers. The alewives were first noted about 10 days ago, but did not come en force until yesterday. Throngs of people stopped along the roadside to witness the spectacle throughout the afternoon, and until darkness called a halt to the catching.

Five barrels were obtained yesterday by Mr. Woodman and his aids, John Ellis and Wilbur Woodman, and this morning they had 40 barrels more. They expect the alewives to keep coming for the next 10 days. The fish measure from nine to 12 inches long. Incidentally the crowd was so great yesterday that the new police chief, William E. P. Taylor, and Officer Louis Bouchie were required to do traffic duty and keep the people from joining the fish in the brook.

Hundreds lined the wharves to greet the sch. Gertrude L. Thebaud, as she arrived home from Washington yesterday afternoon at 2.50 o'clock, after acquiring enough publicity to sell ice cream to the Eskimos.

Time will tell what good her voyage has done, and it is hoped that the few real old-time skippers who were aboard, may have made sufficient impression to persuade the government that the fishing industry has as much right as any other legal industry to survive.

Speaking of pilot houses and their improvement of private estates, Squibs noticed that the attractive pilot house of the sch. Ruth Lucille has been parked on the Independent Fisheries company wharf since the departure of the mackerel seiner to the south'ard, Skipper Thomas Benham is not fussy to have a shack over his wheel when he is pursuing the wily mackerel, it would seem.

A score of landlubbers were having the time of their lives yesterday fishing off the Producers wharf, at the Fort. Flounders were their reward, and with the greatest of patience they cast their lines and awaited the results. Authority tells the columnist that the noted sole is plentiful these days, and grows to healthy proportions. Even the popular "Blue Bridge" is not without its annual patronage of amateur sportsmen. Squibs remembers the day when he had the time of his childish life throwing a line from this railroad bridge, using the humble periwinkle for bait, and hooking the lowly "daddy sculpin" instead of an edible fish.

The Beauty of Provincetown certainly hooked some large codfish recently. Down at Eugene Hall's on the Sabbath, there lay a 70-pound whale codfish, which measured all of five feet in his stocking feet. It looks as if Capt. Joseph Thomas had struck the kingfish of the cod.

One of the finest sports along the waterfront today and yesterday is popularly known as "Billy the dude." Right now he is operating the McDonald Fish Corporation, and you may rest assured that whenever you shake hands with that same old-time waterfront character, you will be "mitting" a real he-man.

Which reminds us, that among other waterfront nicknames that have survived the ravages of time, are the following: "Little Dan," "Pick and Ears," "Gannett," "Sour Mitten," because the wearer of the mitten had a habit of weighting down the scales with the heavy glove, "Mucksie," "Martin the Dude," and "Paddle the Bull" besides several other pet names with which the fishermen and the skippers used to be hailed in the old days.

Sort of lonesome look the Serafina II and the Alicia as they rest along the waterfront in their best dress, all painted and plumed, ready for the voyage to the south to join the mackerel fleet. Capt. John Chianciola says they will be leaving some time tomorrow for the warmer regions.

The United States Coast Guard cutter Ossipee dropped into port yesterday morning to pick up members of her crew, who had been holding rifle practice at the range on Dogtown Common. The cutter left during the day.

One of the old-time fishing grounds that used to be well frequented is Grand Manan bank, which is about 52 miles from Mount Desert island, Maine. Here such Gloucester skippers as Henry Jacobs, Bill Gray, Charlie Buckett, Jim Procter and many others would go in the spring of the year on codfishing trips, handlining. Another large fleet sailed for the banks from Southwest harbor, Maine. Cusk and hake were also caught on Grand Manan, which is reported to have a depth of 24 fathoms, and in some places only 15 fathom. The ocean bottom is said to be gravel and sand. The bank is over five miles in length, and almost three miles wide.

The yacht Wander Bird arrived in port yesterday afternoon and docked at "Sherm" Tarr's, over at Rocky Neck. Capt. Warwick Tompkins, her skipper, holds classes in navigation in this craft which takes Mediterranean cruises and visits other parts of the world. Welcome home, traveler.

The Fourth of July certainly came away ahead of time this year as the calendar is concerned, though it is no fault of daylight saving time, but happens to be another Provincetown trawler with the name Fourth of July, that landed its lot of cod at Hall and Murray's fish cern, yesterday.

The Etta Martin is another Provincetown trawler that made this her stopping place over the week-landing her fare of 3000 pounds cod at Murray and Tarr's at Fort.

# FRESH RECEIPTS GOOD BUT PRICES CONTINUE LOW

Groundfish have been in good supply from the fishing fleet but fish are not so plentiful on the grounds as a few weeks ago. Prices have ruled low. For the week ending April 28, 131 vessels arrived at Boston with 5,064,600 pounds of fresh fish as compared with 116 arrivals and 5,238,000 pounds in the same week of 1932.

Receipts were divided as follows:  
1933—2,708,000 pounds of haddock; 548,000 pounds of large cod; 628,100 pounds of market cod; 1,180,500 pounds of mixed fish.  
1932—2,712,600 pounds of haddock; 871,000 pounds of large cod; 531,200 pounds of market cod; 1,080,000 pounds of mixed fish.  
From January 1 to date there have been 1865 arrivals and receipts of 69,950,200 pounds as compared with 1830 arrivals and receipts of 70,114,000 pounds in the corresponding period of 1932.

## Halifax, N. S., Reports.

Schooners arriving from the banks at Halifax, Thursday, included the Harriet and Vivian, with approximately 60,000 pounds, and the Marshall Frank with about 40,000 pounds of fish. The John H. McKay returned from Lockeport where her catch was sold when the price offered in Halifax was said to have been too low.

With a good fare of fish for the National Fish Company, the trawler Venosta, Capt. Tidman, arrived Thursday from the fishing grounds.

## Portland Notes.

Capt. Levi Eastman of the sch. New Dawn made his last trip Saturday and has tied up so that the schooner's engine, which has been giving considerable trouble lately, can be put into good condition for the coming season. Capt. Reuben

# SOUTHERN FLEET HAD NICE FARES OVER WEEK-END

Cape May Reported 229,000 Pounds, Fulton Market 91,000 Pounds—Dealers Paying Four Cents for Them

Mackerel arrivals at Cape May, New Jersey over the week-end totalled 229,000 pounds, 13 seiners and four netters reporting. At Fulton market this morning morning three more local seiners reported with 91,000 pounds. The price quoted at New York today was six cents a pound for large mackerel, and four cents a pound for small.

## At Cape May.

Seineers.  
Grace F., 30,000 lbs.  
Leretha, 30,000 lbs.  
Old Glory, 30,000 lbs.  
Superior, 17,000 lbs.  
Angie and Vence, 16,000 lbs.

Babe Sears, 15,000 lbs.  
Mary W., 15,000 lbs.  
Doris F. Amero, 15,000 lbs.  
St. Rosalie, 12,000 lbs.  
Seraphina N., 12,000 lbs.  
Doris M. Hawes, 10,000 lbs.  
Catherine Burke, 7,000 lbs.  
Florence K., 7,000 lbs.

## Netters.

Bethlehem, 4,000 lbs.  
Joseph E. Warner, 3,000 lbs.  
Huntington Sanford, 5,000 lbs.  
Aeolus, 5,000 lbs.

## At Fulton Market, N. Y.

Mary F. Curtis, 35,000 lbs.  
Catherine Graffeo, 23,000 lbs. large, 3,000 lbs. small.  
Sebastiano C., 30,000 lbs.  
Overland from Cape May, 600 barrels.



## TWO GOOD FISH DAYS THIS WEEK

**NETTERS AND TRAWLERS LANDED 167,000 POUNDS FRESH FISH.**

Over 167,000 pounds of fresh fish was landed in this port since Saturday with the gill netters getting the most, their weight being 92,000 pounds of haddock and cod.

The catch included for Saturday, 13 gill netters with 46,800 pounds, four trawlers 9700 pounds. Yesterday 14 gill netters had 45,300 pounds, and 27 trawlers had 62,600 pounds, while one dragger had 3000 pounds, making a grand total of 167,400 pounds. The trawler C4158, Capt. Mike Randazza, had the largest fare of the fleet with 7000 pounds of cod for the Producers Fish company at the Fort. Of the gill netters, Capt. Austin Wonson in the Virginia and Joan scored heaviest with a catch of 6000 pounds of cod and 3500 pounds of haddock yesterday for William McDonald Fish company on the Gloucester Cold Storage wharf.

### Gloucester Arrivals and Receipts.

The arrivals and fares in detail:  
Sch. Gertrude L. Thebaud, Washington, D. C.  
Rose Marie, trawling, 2500 lbs. cod.  
C1139, trawling, 3500 lbs. cod.  
Annie and Josephine, trawling, 3000 lbs. cod.  
Little Ruth, trawling, 1500 lbs. cod.  
Three Sisters, trawling, 1500 lbs. cod.  
Grace A., trawling, 4000 lbs. cod.  
C4188, trawling, 5000 lbs. cod.  
Little Joe, dragging, 3000 lbs. flounders.  
C4158, trawling, 7000 lbs. cod.  
Cora Jane, trawling, 1000 lbs. cod.  
Jones Brothers, trawling, 2000 lbs. cod.  
Mary Martin, trawling, 3000 lbs. cod.  
Florence and John, trawling, 2000 lbs. cod.  
Lady of the Rosary, trawling, 2000 lbs. cod.  
Plymouth Rock, trawling, 5000 lbs. cod.  
Two Sisters, trawling, 5000 lbs. cod.  
Sally and Joseph, trawling, 1500 lbs. cod.  
Thelma, trawling, 500 lbs. cod.  
Ardella, trawling, 200 lbs. cod.  
C6696, trawling, 200 lbs. cod.  
842-D, trawling, 500 lbs. cod.  
C2052, trawling, 600 lbs. cod.  
C6847, trawling, 700 lbs. cod.  
Fourth of July, trawling, 2900 lbs. cod.  
Nephthys, trawling, 3000 lbs. cod.  
Catherine C., trawling, 2000 lbs. cod.  
Six Brothers, trawling, 1500 lbs. haddock.  
C5817, trawling, 1000 lbs. cod.

### Saturday's Arrivals and Receipts.

Etta Martin, trawling, 3000 lbs. cod.  
Minerva, trawling, 3500 lbs. cod.  
148-C, trawling, 1200 lbs. cod.  
Alcano, trawling, 2000 lbs. cod.

### Yesterday's Gill Net Receipts.

Virginia and Joan, 6000 lbs. cod, 3500 lbs. haddock.  
Naomi Bruce II., 5000 lbs. cod.  
Enterprise, 5000 lbs. cod.  
Edna Fae, 4000 lbs. haddock.  
Lucretia, 3500 lbs. cod.  
Elizabeth and James, 3500 lbs. haddock.  
Agnes and Myrnie, 2000 lbs. cod.  
Phyllis A., 2000 lbs. cod.  
C. A. Meister, 2000 lbs. cod.  
Eliza C. Riggs, 2000 lbs. cod.  
Nashawena, 2000 lbs. cod.  
Liboria C., 2000 lbs. cod.  
Mary A., 2000 lbs. cod.  
Myrtle and Gladys, 800 lbs. cod.

### Saturday's Gill Net Receipts.

Elizabeth and James, 7000 lbs. haddock.

## DULL MUSIC AT THE BOSTON PIER

**PRICES SAG AGAIN THIS MORNING—THIRTY-FOUR ARRIVALS**

The market hit the toboggan towards the give-away price at the Boston fish pier this morning as 34 vessels came here with heavy fares. Total receipts were 1,360,000 pounds of groundfish, mostly haddock and cod, and 430,000 pounds of mixed fish. Haddock sold at \$1.25 to \$1.50; large cod, \$1.50, and markets, \$1 to \$1.25.

### Boston Arrivals and Receipts.

The arrivals and fares in detail:  
Str. Saturn, 85,000 haddock, 48,000 cod, 37,000 mixed fish.  
Str. Patrick J. O'Hara, 53,000 haddock, 14,000 cod, 15,000 mixed fish.  
Str. Boston, 68,000 haddock, 39,000 cod, 30,000 mixed fish.  
Str. Cormorant, 55,000 haddock, 26,000 cod, 31,000 mixed fish.  
Str. Illinois, 85,000 haddock, 41,000 cod, 30,000 mixed fish.  
Str. Harvard, 60,000 haddock, 26,000 cod, 30,000 mixed fish.  
Str. Holy Cross, 115,000 haddock, 39,000 cod, 37,000 mixed fish.  
Exeter, 55,000 haddock, 25,000 cod, 14,000 mixed fish.  
Donald, 75,000 haddock, 20,000 mixed fish.  
Vagabond, 12,000 haddock, 14,000 cod, 30,000 mixed fish.  
Vandal, 17,000 haddock, 2000 cod, 14,000 mixed fish.  
Charlotte, 2000 haddock, 1500 cod, 18,000 mixed fish.  
Lillian, 2500 haddock, 1000 cod, 1000 mixed fish.  
Philip P. Manta, 17,000 haddock, 8500 cod, 1700 mixed fish.  
Killarney, 50,000 haddock, 25,000 cod, 8000 mixed fish.  
Gertrude DeCosta, 33,000 haddock, 23,000 cod.  
Dawn, 72,000 haddock, 20,000 cod, 2000 mixed fish.  
Fred Henry, 5800 mixed fish.  
Wanderer, 84,000 haddock, 65,000 cod, 5000 mixed fish.  
Mayflower, 8600 mixed fish.  
Santina D., 8800 mixed fish.  
Famiglia, 8000 mixed fish.  
Jackson and Arthur, 8000 mixed fish.  
Joseph D'Ambrosio, 8300 mixed fish.  
Mao II., 6500 mixed fish.  
Virginia and Mary, 4700 mixed fish.  
Rose, 5200 mixed fish.  
Two Brothers, 6300 mixed fish.  
Annie and Josie, 3800 mixed fish.  
Anna Gicarino, 6000 mixed fish.  
Maria D. S., 1400 mixed fish.  
Alphonso, 5200 mixed fish.  
Princess, 8500 mixed fish.  
Fannie F. Hickey, 7000 mixed fish.  
St. John, 4600 mixed fish.  
Maria Concetta, 8200 mixed fish.  
Carmella Maria, 7200 mixed fish.  
Francesca, 2000 mixed fish.  
Haddock, \$1.25 to \$1.50 per cwt.; large cod, \$1.50; market cod, \$1 to \$1.25; hake, \$1.50; pollock, 65 cents; cusk, 75 cents; gray sole, 2c per to 3 cents per pound; lemon sole, 4 cents; black backs, 3 cents; yellow tails, 2 cents; catfish, 1 cent.

Lucretia, 6200 lbs. haddock.  
Naomi Bruce II., 5500 lbs. haddock.  
Enterprise, 5000 lbs. haddock.  
Virginia and Joan, 5000 lbs. cod.  
Edna Fae, 4000 lbs. haddock.  
Phyllis A., 3000 lbs. cod.  
Eliza C. Riggs, 2800 lbs. cod.  
C. A. Meister, 2000 lbs. haddock.  
Nashawena, 2000 lbs. cod.  
Liboria C., 2000 lbs. cod.  
Agnes and Myrnie, 1800 lbs. cod.  
Myrtle and Gladys, 500 lbs. cod.

### Lobster Season Opens.

The lobster season opened in New Brunswick today and according to reports from there will be late owing to the fact that the shore is covered with heavy ice that is likely to interfere with fishing operations. Last arrivals of lobsters sold to wholesale dealers at \$19 per crate, which is the same price they sold for in the corresponding week last year.

### Fishing Notes.

Sch. Sadie N. Nunan was in Shelburne, N. S., last week for shelter.  
Sch. Raymonde arrived in Shelburne, N. S., Wednesday afternoon for water.

### Shelburne Notes.

Fishing sch. Mashaka, of the Lunenburg Sea Products, Ltd., arrived at Shelburne a few days ago. She will operate in connection with the fish business to be carried on there by the above concern.

Fishing was good at Shelburne last week, but weather has interfered with operations so far this week. About 17 or 18 boats are now fishing from there.

### Under New Skipper.

The Coast Guard cutter Ossipee has left her berth at the Maine state pier for her first cruise on patrol duty under her new commander, Lieut. Com. Paul K. Perry.

### To Conclude Season.

Several vessels of the Portland fishing fleet are expected to wind up the trawling season soon and prepare for the swordfishing season, which begins about June 1.



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aid to the industry, was opportune in many respects. It focused attention to the needs of the industry. The mission was carried out with a dignity that brought respect of officials and a favorable attitude of public opinion everywhere.

Had arrangements for yesterday's reception to the Gertrude L. Thebaud been undertaken earlier in week, the Gloucester High school band would have been on hand to join in yesterday's enthusiastic welcome. Thursday of last week, Director Ralph Hazel called and stated that in the event of any welcome on the return of the Thebaud, the boys of the R. O. T. C. band were anxious to offer their services and do their part. Yesterday's reception was not planned until after three o'clock Saturday afternoon, at a time too late to secure the necessary permission for the boys to play and to get in touch with each player. The committee appreciates this offer of co-operation on the part of the High school boys.

So great was the crowd that trundled aboard after the vessel was tied up that it was some time afterward before the "crew," most of them masters of vessels with an experience of 20 years and up, behind them, could get their bags from cabin and fore-castle and get ashore. For these weather-beaten mariners who have been coming and going through the years, it was a new experience in home-coming.

Today it is back to business again, and within a few days, the Thebaud will probably be on her way after another trip of fish.

The welcome at Newport on Saturday was eclipsed only by the reception here yesterday afternoon. An official escort of a dozen coast guard and fishing boats painted the sea from Block Island to Newport with a broad trail of churned foam.

When the Gertrude L. Thebaud arrived at Long Wharf she was boarded who took a prominent part in the negotiations with the legislators in Washington for a tariff barrier on imported fish and for Reconstruction Finance Corporation loans to fishermen.

Three New York liners, all equipped with powerful sirens and whistles, blew tremendous welcoming blasts. The people were notified of the arrival of the vessel by a signal on the fire alarm system.

Mayor Sullivan of Newport, with the Board of Aldermen, boarded the vessel at Long wharf, and to Captain James Abbott and Captain Ben Pine, they extended the welcome of the city.

Included in the reception committee were Mayor Sullivan, the aldermen, Dr. Horace P. Beck, president of the Chamber of Commerce; J. T. O'Connell, William T. Andrews and others.

## Met Off Point By Escort of Coast Guard and Fishing Craft

## Lively Cheer of Horns and Other Devices as Craft Sails Up Harbor

A cheering multitude that crowded the decks of a sizable accompanying flotilla of fishing and Coast Guard boats, stood on Dog Bar Breakwater and all of the wharves from the Fort to Duncan Point, acclaimed the return of sch. Gertrude L. Thebaud, Capt. James L. Abbott, and the skipper-crew of marine ambassadors yesterday afternoon from the Washington mission in search of Federal aid for the fishing industry.

Air and seacraft surrounded the returning schooner while

Two of the 75-foot patrol boats, CG 154, in charge of Chief Boatswain's Mate LaFlame; the 156 in command of Chief Boatswain's Mate George D. Cox, and the CG 994, with Lieut. Commander Fletcher W. Brown and Chief Boatswain's Mate Phinney carried the official welcoming party. The 156 also carried Boatswain Oscar J. Vinje, executive officer at the base.

### In Party.

In the party were Mayor John E. Parker and his son, Edison; Aldermen J. Russell Bohan, Earle R. Andrews and Weston U. Friend; Representative Harold B. Webber; Manager Lawrence J. Hart of the Chamber of Commerce, Principal Leslie O. Johnson of the High school; Frank C. Pearce, Robert A. Merchant, Sumner Y. McKenney, Capt. Manuel Domingos, Marion J. Cooney, Stewart Cooney, Charles F. Pearce and Henry F. Brown.

On board the Coast Guard boat Vines, in command of Boatswain Mazzoni, was the Legion band and a large delegation of citizens. The band is to be complimented for its enthusiasm in turning out for the occasion. Dr. George C. Nichols and Harold T. Winn rounded up the members by telephone late Saturday night and yesterday forenoon and practically the entire organization turned out in toto. They were scheduled to go on the Dix, a 125-footer, but that vessel was ordered to sea and the Vines, a former Boston pilot boat, now used in Coast Guard salvage and freight service along the entire Atlantic seaboard, was substituted.

The Linta, Marietta and Mary and Eleanor and others of the fishing

Arriving in the harbor, sail was taken in and speed checked as the engines were slowed down. The CG 154 with the mayor and other members of the official party pulled alongside and accompanied the schooner up the harbor to the wharf.

### Cheered From Fort.

All the way in there were intermittent blasts of whistles, automatic horns and other devices. A mighty cheer went up from the throng on the Fort wharves. As the schooner nosed into harbor cove, bedlam let loose from the cold storage whistle, from the horn of every vessel in the cove and from the shouts of a 1000 throats the motley gathering of men, women and children that had crowded every inch of the Atlantic Supply company's wharf and the adjoining wharves to welcome the Gertrude L. Thebaud's return.

Returning with the vessel were the delegation that went, although those who had represented Virginia, New Jersey and Rhode Island and southern Massachusetts were dropped at their ports as the Thebaud came up the coast. Capt. William Nickerson, who piloted the vessel up the Potomac, left at Cape May, N. J., to rejoin his craft. Capt. Lee Murray of Boothbay Harbor, Me., and Capt. "Val" O'Neil of Boston both came along to the home port.

### Much Accomplished.

The prevailing opinion feels that the expedition while not directly a success as yet in getting financial

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